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1. Alert System in the 62nd Inf. Regt.

1. There were four "practice" alerts in 1952-53, each lasting about one hour and in which all personnel with equipment, including weapons without ammunition, assembled in the parade area for a roll call. There was one "combat" alert in April 1953, in which personnel moved out for three days with their equipment, including weapons with ammunition.

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2. Passive Antiaircraft Defense

2. [redacted] there were old German air raid shelters in POZNAN /N 52-25, E 16-58/ and in PILA (SCHNEIDEMÜHL) /N 53-09, E 16-45/. Each of these shelters could accommodate up to 5,000 people. They were of steel and concrete construction.

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3. Shelter

3. [redacted] tents, accommodating 24 men, were used. The tent poles and pins [redacted] were of wood. [redacted] arctic tents were used in February 1953 by certain artillery units during their winter training. [redacted] the tent [redacted] two layers of canvas with cotton or felt inserted between. The interior of the inner tent had another layer of cotton or felt material, stitched to the canvas in a cross fashion. The tents were considered to be warm, even during the coldest days.

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4. [redacted] above the caserne archway or entrance there were black metal letters reading, "JED WOJSK" (Jednostka Wojskowa-Army Unit). [redacted] the rifle companies in the area had identification boards of black lettering on a white background, example: 2-ga Komp (2d Co.). [redacted]

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